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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 705

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Celebrating the life of Shirley Quarles Whorley.

Patrons—Ware, O.; Senator: Edwards

WHEREAS, Shirley Quarles Whorley, a respected Virginia citizen and resident of Fincastle, died on December 26, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Whorley was born on February 7, 1947, in Botetourt County to the late Albert and Virginia Quarles; and

WEHREAS, after graduating as the valedictorian of her class at Central Academy in Botetourt County, Shirley Whorley received her bachelor's degree from Roanoke College and her master's degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute; and

WHEREAS, throughout her career as a science teacher in the Bedford County and the Roanoke City Public School systems and as the Supervisor of Science Instruction for Roanoke City Public Schools, Shirley Whorley inspired a love of science in students throughout Roanoke; and

WHEREAS, together with her beloved husband, Charles, Shirley Whorley had two loving children, Susan and Duane, and delighted in spending time with her grandson, Geoffrey; and

WHEREAS, charismatic and generous with her time, Shirley Whorley devoted her energy to meeting the needs of Morning Star Baptist Church, where she adroitly filled the roles of president of the Dorcus Missionary Group and the Leadership Ministry; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Whorley shared her talent for financial management with the members of Morning Star Baptist Church as treasurer of the church, the Deaconess Ministry, and the Senior Choir; and

WHEREAS, graced with musical ability, Shirley Whorley served as the church music assistant at Morning Star Baptist Church and as the Choir Director at Green Spring Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, within the greater Roanoke community, Shirley Whorley dedicated her efforts to the Missionary Council of Roanoke Valley and Vicinity and lent her organizational skills to the Valley Baptist Association as the recording secretary; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Whorley will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by her husband, Charles; her children, Susan and Duane; her grandson, Geoffrey; her brother, Patrick; her sister, Martha; and other family members, former students and colleagues, and many friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Shirley Quarles Whorley, respected Virginia citizen; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Shirley Quarles Whorley as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.

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